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To: 'microsoft.atr(a)usdoj.gov'

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Dear elected officials and lawmakers,

Please settle the Microsoft DOJ case, do not delay you are not acting on behalf of the consumer if you do not accept the settlement and move on. The proposed remedies are more than fair. The proposed DOJ settlement is the route that is most expedient and fair for all involved.

Microsoft is not a bad company, they are being punished for being successful and giving us consumers what we ask for, much of this suit is being driven by their competition not consumers. Microsoft is one of the very few companies that actually listens to the average consumers feedback. They may not get it right the first time but they listen and keep on trying until it is what we ask them to create. What we have now with Windows is want consumers have asked them to produce. Software companies should be forced to compete on the technical merit of their products as voted on by consumer dollars not via the Justice system and litigation.

The individual states should not be free to peruse additional remedies and measures, this seems wrong and also like double jeopardy. This is wrong that the individual states can choose to continue this matter on their own. If the case has been settled why does litigation continue, by any party?

The consumer is paying for this litigation, even in the end if Microsoft were to pay all legal bills - Microsoft should not have to pay for the government legal bills - the states and federal government has still wasted time and money on this rather than putting those same resources to better use. This entire matter is a huge waste and gross misallocation of resources.

Please listen to consumers not competitors. I as a consumer want you to take the settlement, stop further persecution of Microsoft, restrict the states from being able to peruse this matter further, and stop wasting time and money on this.

It is terrible that we have spent more money tracking down and persecuting Microsoft than we have tracking the worst United States public enemies.

Respectfully submitted to microsoft.atr@usdoj.gov on 1/2/2002

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